(2) if the application for waiver is received in his office after the expiration of 3 years immediately following the date on which the erroneous payment of pay or allowances was discovered.

# (d) Credit for waiver

In the audit and settlement of the accounts of any accountable officer or official, full credit shall be given for any amounts with respect to which collection by the United States is waived under this section.

### (e) Effect of waiver

An erroneous payment, the collection of which is waived under this section, is deemed a valid payment for all purposes.

## (f) Construction with other laws

This section does not affect any authority under any other law to litigate, settle, compromise, or waive any claim of the United States.

# (g) Rules and regulations

The Speaker of the House shall prescribe rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this section.

(Pub. L. 93-359, §3, July 25, 1974, 88 Stat. 395; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, §204(76), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1742; Pub. L. 104-316, title I, §102(c), Oct. 19, 1996, 110 Stat. 3828.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1996—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 104–316 struck out ", if the claim is not the subject of an exception made by the Comptroller General in the account of any accountable officer or official" before period at end.

Pub. L. 104–186 substituted "Chief Administrative Officer" for "Clerk".

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 104-186 substituted "Chief Administrative Officer" for "Clerk".

# CROSS REFERENCES

Claims for overpayment of pay or allowances to employees of agencies generally, see section 5584 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

# § 130e. Special Services Office

There is established, as a joint office of Congress, the Special Services Office, which (under the supervision and control of a board, to be known as the Special Services Board, comprised of the Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives, the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate, and the Architect of the Capitol) shall provide special services to Members of Congress, and to officers, employees, and guests of Congress.

(Pub. L. 101–163, title III,  $\S310$ , Nov. 21, 1989, 103 Stat. 1065; Pub. L. 104–53, title I,  $\S112$ , Nov. 19, 1995, 109 Stat. 525.)

# CODIFICATION

Section is from the Legislative Branch Appropriations  $\operatorname{Act}$ , 1990.

# AMENDMENTS

1995—Pub. L. 104-53 substituted "Sergeant at Arms" for "Clerk" after "comprised of the" and "Architect of the Capitol" for "Librarian of Congress".

# § 130f. Office of General Counsel of House; administrative provisions

## (a) Compliance with admission requirements

The General Counsel of the House of Representatives and any other counsel in the Office of the General Counsel of the House of Representatives, including any counsel specially retained by the Office of General Counsel, shall be entitled, for the purpose of performing the counsel's functions, to enter an appearance in any proceeding before any court of the United States or of any State or political subdivision thereof without compliance with any requirements for admission to practice before such court, except that the authorization conferred by this subsection shall not apply with respect to the admission of any such person to practice before the United States Supreme Court.

## (b) Notification by Attorney General

The Attorney General shall notify the General Counsel of the House of Representatives with respect to any proceeding in which the United States is a party of any determination by the Attorney General or Solicitor General not to appeal any court decision affecting the constitutionality of an Act or joint resolution of Congress within such time as will enable the House to direct the General Counsel to intervene as a party in such proceeding pursuant to applicable rules of the House of Representatives.

## (c) General Counsel definition

In this section, the term "General Counsel of the House of Representatives" means—

- (1) the head of the Office of General Counsel established and operating under clause 8 of rule II of the Rules of the House of Representatives:
- (2) the head of any successor office to the Office of General Counsel which is established after September 29, 1999; and
- (3) any other person authorized and directed in accordance with the Rules of the House of Representatives to provide legal assistance and representation to the House in connection with the matters described in this section.

## (d) Effective date

The provisions of this section shall become effective beginning with September 29, 1999.

(Pub. L. 106–57, title I, §101, Sept. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 414.)

# CODIFICATION

Section is from the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 2000, which is title I of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2000.

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